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Serial Nos. Two

Part B for October 1945

SUBJECT

Fixing of minimum quantities of essential articles of daily worship and mundana in Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangapatnam.

Ass R. 1026-6 dated 29.8.1945

To
The Deputy Commissioner
Coimbatore & Govt.
Treasury Officer.
Dy. Comm: Mandya.

I am directed to request an additional allotment of Rs 1000/-

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Rev)

NOTES. File No. 153

FILE HEADING.

Issue of new coins, Prescription of weights & measures & daily worship in the Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangapatam

FROM The Diwan

No. 1155-57, Dated Received

Diary No. 604 . Encls. Spare copies Serial No.

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

Regarding the introduction of new coins, weights & measures & fixing up minimum quantities of articles for daily worship in the Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangapatam

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NOTES AND ORDERS.

Reference is invited to the Suggestions made in the Joint Notes of the Minister for Food & Civil Supplies in connection with his visit to Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Seringapatam. Among others, the Minister was pleased observe that the question of fixing up minimum quantities of essential articles for worship and also Nivedana might be examined and decision

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proposals sent up. In para 2 of his letter the DC has explained that the sum of Rs 150-8-0 p.m allotted for Nityakalle seruds is inadequate in view of the high prices of rice, ghee pieces etc The other suggestions of the Minister viz painting of the inner walls of Garbhagruha with Sandal paste once a year at a cost of Rs 100/- per annum, the Continuous burning of the Nanda deepam etc are stated to involve an extra grant of Rs 1000/- per annum.

The MC while observing that the financial position of the temple is not sound, has suggested that an additional allotment of Rs 1000/- may be granted out of State grants temporarily for the duration of the war. The recommendation of the MC for an additional allotment of Rs 1000/- from State funds is for orders Financial Concurrence is necessary.

20/6 Due to the existing conditions, the income of most institutions has decreased and the Nityakalle and Nivedyakalle expenses remain. The present proposal is for [illegible] year only

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The proposal and recommendation of the

Fixing of minimum grantees &c
cles for Daily worship & Nivedana
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Continuation Sheet. Mez File No. Current No. 253 of 404 Page. Srirangapatna

In C. may perhaps be sanctioned the additional charge may however be debited to the General Mugrai fund

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5) I agree to 'A'

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220/11/ Hon similar proposals re. Ranganathaswami Mallikote, other minor temples have been disposed of.

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RV 13/8/45

Submitted with a draft G.O. sanctioning.

Subd. Proposals re fixing of minimum grantees as in the present case have not been received in respect of the above temples. Excess expenditure over the sanctioned scale, on account of the abnormal prices is being ratified and proposals received re. the Ranganatha Temple have been submitted.

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Fwd Com No 605/ 30-8-45
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G.O. No R 10216/6/dated 2/9/45
To the H.C. The Commissioner
H.R. & C.E. Madras
Sanctions an additional charge of
Rs 1000/- from the Gen Mugrai

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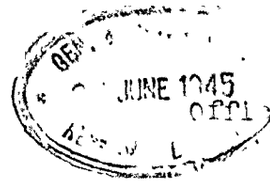

Office of the Mysore Commissioner in
Bangalore, 15th June 1945

To

Mahomed Imtiaz Sheriff, Esq., B.A.,
General Secretary to the Government
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

Visit of Hon'ble Minister for Public Works and Mines, to Sri Parvatavardhini Temple, Sri Parvatagiri.

I have the honour to state that the Minister for Public Works and Mines was pleased to observe, during his visit to Sri Parvatagiri, on [illegible] that the question of giving a free quantities of essential articles for worship and nivedana, in Sri Parvatavardhini Temple, should be examined favourably and he desired that a note in this connection should be submitted to him (vide extract of his tour notes for May 1945, enclosed).

2) In the sanctioned scale of Sri Parvatavardhini Temple, a sum of Rs. 4-0-0 p.m., is provided for Nitya Nivedanams, and this is not sufficient to meet even the purchase of even the minimum quantities required for the daily Nivedanams. The quantities of rice required for the daily

1) Mahanaivedya Rice .. 1 seer of rice per day, [illegible]
2) Padya Rice .. 1 " " "
3) Shuddhanna .. 2 seers " " [illegible]
4) Madhyanna .. 1 seer " "

[illegible]

of spices and other articles required for the prescribed scale of Rs. 4-0-0 per month. Besides, the additional expenditure of Rs. [illegible] month will have to be incurred for meeting the Navaratri festival [illegible] burning [illegible] the use of pure ghee and to meet the enhanced cost of [illegible] Pujadravya, Pujadravya, and Panchadravya. A request to this effect by the Minister, the celebrating of Brahmotsava of the Temple, which is due, once a year, before Rathotsava, involves a cost of Rs. [illegible] 100. This, an extra amount of Rs. 1,000 [illegible] would be required for the purposes above stated.

3) As the financial position of the temple is stressed, I would request sanction of Government may kindly be obtained for an advance of Rs. 1,000 out of State Funds, to meet the [illegible] during the year.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

F R Seddon

Mining Commissioner.

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Letter No. H1-240/44-45 **dated** 24th April **1945 from the Deputy Commissioner,** Mandya **District, to the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.**

Re. Fixing of minimum quantities of essential articles for daily worship and Nivedana in Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Seringapatam.

With reference to Your notes No.63 of the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies (extract of which was forwarded with your letter No.M-691/44 dated 11-4-1945) on the above subject, I have the honor to forward herewith, a copy of letter No.A2.Muz.523/44 dated 6-4-1945 received from the Sub Division Officer, Frenchrocks and to state as follows:-

The sum of Rs.150-3-0 provided for Nityakatle sevas after excluding the sum of Rs. 40 per month provided for electric charges is hardly sufficient for such an important temple like Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam. In order to ensure the expenditure under the above item, the funds of the institution are hardly sufficient.

In the circumstances reported by the Sub Division Officer, Frenchrocks an additional sum of Rs. 1,000 is absolutely necessary for meeting the extra cost under Nityakatle expenses. I request therefore that kind recommendation may be made for sanctioning this amount out of State Funds or State and General Muzrai Funds.

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For Muzrai Commissioner

Extract from the Notes of the Minister for Food and Civil relating to his tour in the months of January and February 1945.

Tirupati, Tirumalai & Tirru Trichanur -- 26th to 28th January 1945

53. The present system of fixing the money allotment for Nithyanna sevas, has led to the use of very small quantities of essential articles for daily worship and Nivedana. The question of fixing minimum quantities of essential articles required for worship and Nivedana, having regard to the importance of the Temple, may be examined, and definite proposals may be submitted early.

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For Puzrai

Letter No.A2.Muz.326/44-45 dated 6-4-1945, from the Sub Division Officer, Frenchrocks, to the Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District, Mandya.

Re: Fixing of minimum quantities of essential articles for daily worship and nivedana in Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Seringapatam.

I have the honour to state that during the visit of the Muzrai Commissioner to Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Seringapatam in December 1944 and during the visit of the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies on 10th February 1945, representations were made to them that the present system of having a fixed money allotment for daily worship and nivedana has led to the use of very small quantities of essential articles on account of the increase in prices and that certain absolute minimum quantities of essential articles required for worship and nivedana must be ensured, having regard to the importance of the Temple, by giving some extra grant if necessary. Both the Minister and the Muzrai Commissioner were pleased to direct that the matter may be investigated and definite proposals submitted.

2. In the sanctioned scale of Sri Ranganthaswamy Temple, a sum of Rs.150-8-0 per month is provided for Nityakatle sevas, after excluding the sum of Rs.40/- per mensem provided for electric charges. From the enclosed detailed statement obtained from the Temple office, showing the utilization of the monthly grant of Rs.150-8-0 for Nityakatle sevas in December 1944, it is seen that the provision for "Chinnada Thaliga Pongal" is only 3/8 seer of rice per day, for Dadhyodana, 1/2 seer per day, Suddhanna, 1 seer per day and for Malagogare 1/4 seer per day. The nivedanam of such small quantities is not in consonance with the importance of the Temple and it appears to be very necessary to ensure at least an absolute minimum quantity for the several "Nivedanams". The following minimum quantities are suggested for the several important Nivedanams.-

(a) Chinnadathalige Pongal	..	1 seer of rice per day
(b) Dadhyodana ..	..	1 seer of rice per day
(c) Shuddhanna ..	..	2 seers -do-
(d) Malagogare ..	..	1 seer -do-

As proposals have been submitted for utilizing the paddy of the temple lands to supply rice at the rate fixed in the Scale, and the rate will work out to about Rs.12/- per palla as against Rs.25/- taken into account in the enclosed statement, there will not be much extra cost on account of the increase of the rice allotment for the Nivedanam. But the preparation of the rice for the several Nivedanams requires spices and other articles and for the increased quantities of rice suggested above, the articles required for preparation etc., would involve an extra cost of Rs.58-8-0, as follows.-

(1) Extra cost for preparing Chinnada Thalige Pongal with additional 5/3 seer of rice.	Rs.	20/-
(2) -do- for Dadhyodana with an additional 1/2 seer of rice	Rs.	12/-
(3) -do- for Shuddhanna with an additional 1 seer of rice	Rs.	9/8/-
(4) -do- for Malagogare with an additional 3/4 seer of rice		18/-

Thus an additional sum of Rs.58-8-0 per month will be required to ensure that the four important nivedanams do not fall below a mimimum level.

3. The sum of Rs.12/- provided in the sanctioned scale for Ghee for Nandadeepam, will hardly purchase pure ghee sufficient for 15 days. To ensure that the Nandadeepam is kept continuously and that pure ghee only is used, it is necessary to fix the quantity of ghee, instead of the money allotment. 20 seers of ghee is the minimum quantity required per month, and at the present rate, this would cost Rs.20/- An additional allotment of Rs.8/- per month is required for Nandadeepam.

4. The prices of Abhiseka Dravya, Puiadravya and Parimala Dravya

Dravya for which Rs.17-8-0 per month has been prov[illegible] scale, have increased very much, and an additional sum of at l[illegible] Rs.8- is required to ensure the absolute minimum quantity of these arti[illegible] The total extra amount required for ensuring supply of absolute minimum quantities of essential articles required for daily worship, for satisfactory maintenance of the "Nandadeepam" with pure ghee and for ensur that the important Nivedanams do not fall below the quantity fixed havin regard to the importance of the Temple, would be Rs.75/- per month or Rs.900/- per year.

5. During his visit to the Temple on 10th February 1945, the Minis was pleased to direct that arrangements may be made to smear the inner walls of the 'Gharbha Grihas' of the Temple with Sandal paste, once a year, before Kathotsavam, as is being done in Melkote. This would require an additional sum of Rs.100/- at least per year.

6. The extra amount of Rs.1,000/- per year required for the above purposes, cannot be met out of the Temple funds, as the Reserve provided in the Scale is hardly sufficient to meet the charges of annual repairs and periodical whitewashing. The financial position of the Insitution is not very sound and on several recent occasions, grants have been sanctioned to the Temple, from the General Muzrai's Funds and from the State Funds, for improvements. As an additional sum of Rs.1,000/- per year is required to ensure the supply of absolute minimum quantities of essential articles required for satisfactory conduct of daily worship and nivedana, and the Temple has no means of meeting it, a recommendation may kindly be made for an additional cash grant of Rs.1,000/- per annum to the Temple from the State Funds, or from General Muzrai Funds or from the Chattram Savings Fund, until the price levels become normal.

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Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District.

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Tour notes of the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies for th Month of January and February 1945.

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49. (v) Sri Ranganathaswami Temple: The brass images on the door-frames leading to the shrines may be got cleaned and polished periodically.

50. The Garbhagrihas may be got painted with sandal paste once a year.

51. The torn and discoloured curtain behind the image of Sri Ammanavaru may be replaced with a good curtain.

52. The Prabhavali in Sri Ammanavaru Temple is slanting and is being supported by a bamboo. Repairs may be effected to fix it properly.

53. The present system of fixing the money allotment for nithyakatle sevas, has led to the use of very small quantities of essential articles for daily worship and Nivedana. The question of fixing minimum quantities of essential articles required for wors and Nivedana, having regard to the importance of the Temple, may be examined, and definite proposals may be submitted early.

54. The complaint made regarding laxity in the administration o the Temple may be looked into and a report submitted very early.

55. As the high price of rice has led to the reduction of the quantity for daily Nivedana, the possibility of utilizing for use in the Temple, the paddy received from the Temple lands or from lands of other Muzrai Institutions, after paying for it at the rate shown on the income side of the sanctioned scale, may be examined.

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Serial No. 2

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Date of issue 29-8- 1945.

Signed by Mr S.K.V.

May this be—

(i) printed ?

(ii) treated as a Standing Order ?

(iii) published in the Gazette, English Part ?

(iv) translated ?

(v) placed at the disposal of the Press ?

(iv) published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

Read— Letter No. M5-1182/44-45 dated 18/6/45 from the M.C., stating that the provision of Rs 150-8-0 p.m. for Nityakalle seves in the Sanctioned Scale of Sri Ranganatha Swamy Temple at ~~Seringapatam~~ Srirangapatna is found insufficient even for the purchase of the minimum quantities for daily Nivedanams and that in view of rise in the prices of ghee, spices and other articles, such as Abhishekadravya, Neyadravya and Parimaladravya, an extra grant of Rs 1000/- (Rupees

one thousand per annum would be required per annum inclusive of the colouring of the inner walls of the Garbhagriha with Sandal paste once a year before Rathotsavam (involving an expenditure of Rs 1000/-) as suggested by the Minister for Food and Civil Supplies during his visit to Srirangapatna in February 1945 in the circumstances mentioned and requesting sanction to an additional allotment of Rs 1000/- out of the State Grants, temporarily during the period of war.

Order MOR 1024-6 & 298.45.

The recommendation of the M & C is sanctioned, the additional grant of Rupees one thousand being debited to the General Mudrai Fund.

for Law Secretary

To The Muzrai Commr with records
" Comptroller to sort through & send
" L. C. Mandya Dist

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